

College Basketball Rules Grow in Favor

Are Adopted by Y. M. C. A. in Preference to the A. A. U. Regulations.

CODE REVISED TO REDUCE ROUGHNESS

Running with Ball Will Be More Easily Detected—Extra Rest Periods Ordered.

Dr. Joseph E. Ravecroft, of Princeton, chairman of the basketball rules committee of the National Collegiate Athletic Association, announced yesterday that the Y. M. C. A. committee decided that the A. A. U. regulations, which have been in force since 1907, are antiquated and should be replaced by the more modern and less brutal A. U. regulations.

According to Dr. Ravecroft, this action of the Y. M. C. A. authorities is the greatest recommendation that the college game has ever received, and he believes that in the next five years it will supplant entirely the A. A. U. rules.

Including professional players, Dr. Ravecroft has estimated that basketball is played by more persons than any other sport in the United States, with the single exception of baseball. It is significant, he said yesterday, that the combined sale of the collegiate, A. A. U., and professional basketball guides falls only a trifle under the sale of baseball guides.

A number of answers received to a questionnaire sent to more than five hundred colleges, and discussions held by the rules committee, it was decided that the code should be revised to make only a few changes in the rules of the college game for next year.

Revisions, especially one with reference to the ball, will have a revolutionary effect, but most of the revisions are refinements in the code, and every change has been made with the view of eliminating rough play from the game.

With the intention of having the rules extended to secondary schools, the committee will incorporate in its next year a recommendation that two-minute intermissions be taken in the middle of each half. This was tried in the collegiate game several years ago, but was abandoned when it was found to be unnecessary.

With school teams, however, the committee thinks that the two-minute rest is necessary. The committee constituted each of its members a committee of one in charge of a district, whose duty will be to have the college rules played by school teams within his territory, and also to report on the suggestions emanating from those districts.

Dr. James Naismith, of the University of Kansas, the inventor of basketball, is assigned to west of the Mississippi; L. W. St. John, the district coach of the Allegheny district, to the Mississippi; Oswald Tower, of Williams, Mass.; Ralph Morgan, of Pennsylvania; the Metropolitan district, and Loris Prentice, of Lawrenceville, Ga., the Southern district. The general committee expects that the general committee will have no missionary work in spreading the college rules.

By the rules which have been adopted for 1915 running with the ball will be more easily detected than under the present code. Under this rule a player who is standing when he receives the ball must make one step in starting a dribble or passing, but the ball must leave his hands before he lifts his second foot from the ground.

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Only a man with a wonderful constitution and an unusual physique would be capable of going through such a herculean programme with any chance of success. Richards is such a man, and his training is expected to see him go through with flying colors.

Alma's record in the Olympic high jump was 6 feet 6 inches. In the high jump he has cleared more than 22 feet, while in the shot put he has heaved the ball 43 feet.

Cornell has entered practically her entire championship track team in the games, and expects to have men in the one, two and four-mile relay races. The Red and White athletes in the middle and long distance runs are particularly strong this year, and in the two and four-mile relays are certain to be well up all the way.

Cornell is the favorite for the intercollegiate track and field championship, and because of this the work of her men will be watched closely at Philadelphia.

Although the Harvard varsity basketball nine has not had much opportunity of playing outdoors this season, because the coach has whittled the team into excellent condition for its first regular game to-morrow against the Boston Braves.

Peter Haughton is a busy man at Harvard these days. The football coach has organized two eleven and fitted them with a set of plays, so that they may have some real games next year.

War Cuts Into Cricket Profits

The annual report of the Nottingham Cricket Club, which has just been issued, shows that it is the only county so far to make a profit on last year's playing, finishing the season with \$830 in hand.

Derbyshire showed a loss of \$1,650 on the season, while Leicestershire finished \$1,930 on the wrong side, due entirely to the bad weather at the beginning of the season and the effect of the war upon the attendance in August.

The London clubs have decided to carry on the games this summer in spite of the war. Their teams will be composed of players not eligible for service, all the clubs agreeing that no place should be found for a shirker in any of the eleven.

A splendid response has been made by London's club cricketers to join the colors. Between 70 and 80 per cent are now serving with the forces.

The latest casualty list contains the name of Captain K. G. McLeod, having been wounded, making the third Lancashire cricketer who has been hit in action. R. H. Spooner and H. G. Garnett being new quite recovered from their wounds.

Centres will not hereafter be required to stand with their shoulders to the side lines. Since the adoption of this rule the centres have declared that it is impossible to get a proper jump for the ball, and that it resulted in much unintentional rough play.

Coaching from the side lines, which during the last season, grew to the extent of an abuse, will be more strictly watched, and a penalty will be inflicted on the offending side without the warning required by the old rules.

One other marked change in the rules stipulates that the ball shall not be considered dead after the whistle blows until it is in the air at the moment of the blowing of the whistle. In the past the ball has been declared dead as soon as the whistle blew.

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COHEN WILL OPEN BIG CHESS TOURNEY

Former Official of Glasgow to Give Address at Manhattan Club.

CAPABLANCA SWEEPS ALL BEFORE HIM

Mrs. Natalie Nixdorff Claims Woman Chess Championship of United States.

The Hon. Frank L. Cohen, R. H. S., a former Master of War of the City of Glasgow, Scotland, will open the masters' congress at the Manhattan Chess Club on Monday, April 19, with an address.

During the last week much progress has been made in collecting funds for the prizes. Among those who have consented to become honorary patrons are J. W. Griggs, Frank L. Cohen, Harold M. Phillips, J. Oswald Jimenis, W. M. Hammerschlag, S. Emery and L. Reineke.

Six rounds in the individual championship tournament of the Metropolitan Chess League have been completed to date, and although there was a storm brewing last week owing to some misunderstanding everything is serene now. Not a little of the success of the affair is due to the diplomatic actions of the tournament committee, every member of which makes it a point regularly to attend the play and impartially and good naturedly to adjudicate any question arising among the players. At present, as was stated in Friday's Tribune, Oscar Chajes has the lead over R. T. Black.

Mrs. Natalie Nixdorff writes to The Tribune, under date of April 2, that she considers herself the woman chess player of the United States, inasmuch as she failed in all her attempts to get Mrs. Burgess, of St. Louis, the champion, to play her a match for the title. Mrs. Nixdorff, in claiming the title, states that she is ready to defend the title against all comers at any time.

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Striking Illustration of "Beauty and the Beast"



Miss Billie Burke with Her Winning English Bulldog, Midnight Frolic.

Bedford Park to Open the Lawn Tennis Season

Its Annual Tournament Will Begin on May 8—Local Stars Expected to Take Part.

By FRED HAWTHORNE.

The lawn tennis season in New York will officially open on Saturday, May 8, when the Bedford Park Lawn Tennis Club will begin its annual singles and doubles championship tournament on the fine dirt courts in Bedford Park.

The club was formally declared open for the use of the members yesterday by J. H. Steinkamp, the team captain, and inside of fifteen minutes after the announcement every court was in play. Dick Brown, the expert on earth courts, has rolled and groomed the playing surface until it is as smooth as a billiard table, and everybody was delighted.

As an indication of the increasing interest in lawn tennis, the club has added more than a score of new members, and is prepared to take care of a few more.

Albert J. Ostendorf, the chairman of the tournament committee, is beginning to receive entries for the annual tournament, and some of the most prominent of the local players will start the outdoor season by engaging in the first match on Monday, May 10.

Last summer the Bedford Park bowl was won by Walter Merrill Hall, after a stirring five-set match with S. Howard Voshell, the playing coach. The two men played the match with a view to securing again for possession of the trophy.

The clubhouse, which stands in the center of the plot of ground on which the courts are located, has a broad porch, and from this vantage point the club members have a clear view of all the courts.

Although the Bedford Park club will have the honor of starting the outdoor season, the West Side Tennis Club, of Forest Hills, Long Island, will be a close second, beginning the annual Metropolitan women's championship tournament on Monday, May 10.

Particular interest will attach to the event this year, owing to the presence among the entries of Miss Molla Bjurstedt, the fair Olympic and Norwegian champion, who added the national indoor singles championship for women to her list of titles last season in the 7th Regiment Armory. Miss Bjurstedt defeated Miss Marie Wagner in the final round, playing a whirlwind game in detaching the four-time champion.

The present Metropolitan champion is Mrs. E. W. Raymond, and followers of the game in this city will be anxious to see how the girl from the land of the Midnight Sun will compare with her American rival.

DEIBEL WINS ON LINKS Defeats Dr. Code in Pinehurst Golf Tournament.

Pinehurst, N. C., April 10. C. W. Deibel, of Youngstown, did the "premier" in to-day's final round of the annual mid-April golf tournament with Dr. W. E. Code, of the Chesterfield Club, Chicago, winning by 4 up and 3 to play.

The doctor took the first hole with an indifferent 6, halved the next two and won the fourth in 48, but after that it was pretty much all over. Deibel, who added the three strokes in the last five holes of the outward journey. Coming home he missed a putt for a win and halved the tenth and took the next three holes for a lead of 5. Code rallied for a win on the fourteenth, but could do no better than a halve in 3 on the short fifteenth, where the match ended.

AMATEUR NIMRODS SELECT NEW DATE

Boston A. A. Team Will Be at Travers Island on April 30.

It was the intention of the gunners of the New York Athletic Club to shoot the second leg of the home-and-home series against the Nimrods of the Boston Athletic Association at Travers Island yesterday. At the last moment the Hub shooters asked that the leg be postponed until Friday, April 30, the date of the preliminary shoot for the tenth annual amateur championship of America.

The Boston club stated that many of its best shooters find it impossible to make two trips to New York during the month, and that if the New Yorkers insisted a secondary team would be the best that it could send for the interclub affair.

Realizing the situation, the New York men quickly agreed to the postponement, as they were all anxious to make the coming championship the greatest in the history of the country. The interclub contest in between teams of twenty gunners. As the Boston A. A. will come to Travers Island with twenty gunners on April 30, it means that there will be at least that many Hub shooters in the big championship shoot on May 1.

The programmes for both days have been settled by George J. Corbett, who has had full charge of the shooting at Travers Island this year. The preliminary shoot on April 30 will be at 200 "birds." On the following day the amateur championship will be decided at the same number of targets. Also, on May 1 there will be a five-man interclub team championship shoot, each gunner to fire at 200 targets.

In addition to the championship prizes for both the individual and the team championships there will be a gold medal for the contestant making the longest continuous run during the two days of competition. Also, each contestant will fire at 100 "birds" over each set of traps, and the one making the highest score over each set of traps will be eligible to win more than one of the four trophies. A gold medal will be awarded to the contestant making the best score in 400 "birds" during the two days at the traps.

Columbia "Frat" Nines to Play

Fourteen fraternities will take part in a round robin baseball tournament at Columbia University from which all varsity players will be barred. The first game will be played to-morrow when Sigma Nu meets Theta Xi.

The schedule is as follows: Monday, April 13—Phi Delta Theta vs. Phi Lambda Chi. Tuesday, April 14—Phi Sigma Kappa vs. Alpha Delta Phi. Wednesday, April 15—Phi Kappa Sigma vs. Delta Tau Delta. Thursday, April 16—Phi Kappa Sigma vs. Delta Tau Delta. Friday, April 17—Sigma Alpha Epsilon vs. Phi Gamma Delta. Saturday, April 18—Alpha Sigma Phi vs. Sigma Chi.

German Shepherd Dogs

Edward Warnke, of Richmond Hill High School, who finished third in the "cross-country" championship run last fall, has enjoyed much success in open competition during the last few months. Warnke started in two middle distance races, taking one third place in one and leading his field home in the other, a 1,000-yard run.

Interclass baseball has begun at the Erasmus Hall High School with twenty-nine teams taking part in the tournament.

Germany May Levy Dog Tax

A war tax on dogs will be levied in Germany in the near future, according to word received from Berlin. The estimated canine population of the Empire is 2,000,000, and it is figured a tax of this sort would raise an appreciable revenue.

The levy might mean that half the dogs would be destroyed, but the suggested increase in tax would yield on the remainder would amount to about \$1,250,000.

The manufacture of dog cake has been prohibited since January, and what has been consumed since then might have gone to the sustenance of cattle, horses or even human beings.

It is pointed out that more dogs were destroyed than estimated the stock of foodstuffs would be correspondingly prolonged; if more dogs were maintained the treasury would be the gainer.

MANY DOGS REACH HERE FROM ABROAD

Foreign Fanciers More than Anxious to Exchange Pets for Gold.

Immigration of human beings to the United States has been practically at a standstill since the European war got under full swing, but with dogs it is a different story. It appears that many dogs are being imported from abroad, especially those in England, are more than willing to exchange their pets for American gold.

The St. Paul, one of the best equipped of the transatlantic liners for the transportation of dogs, brought several famous canines to this country last week. Among these were three terriers, which should make their mark here. They are Bob Sawyer, a Sealyham; Cyprus Cadet, an Airleide and winner at the Crufts Show, and Gutsy Beauty, by the noted Ch. Armley Roy.

Bob Sawyer was purchased by Mrs. M. Holmes-Willets, one of the first persons to take up the breed in this country. Cyprus Cadet is the property of Andrew Albright, while Gatenby Beauty was imported by A. Thompson, of this city, who is planning a kennel of the breed.

Mallory Bobs, another dog of note, came in on the same ship. The dog, having been secured by Charles P. Boyd, of Philadelphia. Mallory Bobs is an English setter which was exhibited at the Crufts Show for the first and only time in Great Britain, winning first prize in several special classes, and defeating such dogs as Early Morn, Primley Plot and Weather Howard. Mallory Bobs is only sixteen months old.

DOGS IN BIRMINGHAM

During Last Year 42,437 Licenses Were Issued.

Birmingham, England, has long been known for its large dog population, therefore, canine statistics for the year 1914, which have just been published, are of special interest. During last year 42,437 dog licenses were issued, an increase of \$45 over 1913.

There is a comparatively large agricultural area in the city, a fact accounting for 163 dogs being exempted from the payment of their license fees on account of their use for agricultural purposes.

NEW PEKINGESE KENNEL

Jennings Starts with Rodney Patti and Rodney Patricia.

Hugh O. Jennings has established a Pekingese kennel in this city, following his purchase of two international winners from Charles G. Hopton. These two dogs are Rodney Patti of Winkfield, a prominent bitch from Ch. Sibton Tiny and Rodney Patricia from Piggy of Winkfield.

Rodney Patti has been mated with Ch. Chagham while Rodney Patricia has been bred to Rodney Chinky Chog, which will head the kennel. Chinky Chog has made a fine record at English shows and is the sire of several winners, including Rodney Patti, the property of Miss Lydia Hopkins, a Pacific Coast fancier.

Mr. Jennings has selected Pak-kinkow as the name of his kennel.

Busy April for Dog Fanciers

The following are the more important dog shows which are to be held in the month of April:

SAMOYEDE THE ORIGINAL DOG

EXPERT ARGUES E. K. Scott Holds That the Pom Is Descended from This Breed.

PREHISTORIC TYPE WAS MEDIUM-SIZED

Does Not Believe Ancient Would Have Domesticated Animal Like Wolfhound.

The evolution of the dog has been a favored theme of discussion among lovers of the animal. Some have contended that the true type of prehistoric dog was one of the largest and heaviest dogs would naturally be the sort to persist under all climatic conditions and surroundings.

This view is not accepted by E. K. Scott, in an article published recently in "Field and Fancy." Mr. Scott holds to the opinion that the Samoyede dogs, of which he happens to be a promoter, represent the true prehistoric type.

"Professor Jetties, a German naturalist who has investigated the matter," Mr. Scott, "states as his opinion that the prehistoric dog was something like the Pomeranian, and that he means the upstanding white dog of twenty or thirty years ago and not the fashionable freak of to-day."

Mr. Scott then calls attention to the fact that ten years ago he expressed the belief that the normal type of the Pomeranian was the descendant of the Samoyede dog. He points out that not only the appearance of the two breeds is identical, but that there are striking similarities between a rare of people in Pomerania, the Russians, and the Samoyedes and Finns of North Asia.

He continues: "Given that the above is right as to the prehistoric dog being the Pomeranian, then it follows that it is not that the Samoyede of to-day is the actual type of the prehistoric dog. Let us consider the matter from the climatic standpoint. The Samoyede people have raised those types of the Arctic (the reindeer) for countless ages, has a most rigorous climate. The temperature in winter is the lowest on record in any part of the earth's surface where man has permanent occupation. It is a part to neither man nor beast was likely to go of his own free will. Like their masters, therefore, the Samoyede dogs come down to us from the same type—and in this respect the Samoyede of Australia are sharply marked out from all other breeds."

"Where the survival of the fittest is the only rule, the dog with a dog or with the muscles or cartilage weakened in any way, so that the ear was not freely movable, would not have the same chance of survival as the perfect specimen,